



Grants, Resources and Notices from the Federal Government

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This following is intended to provide the public with basic information of potential federal assistance and funding opportunities. Those interested in these or similar programs should contact the appropriate federal and state agencies for detailed information.

This list is not exhaustive but representative of various funding opportunities, resources and notices from the Federal Government of interest to the Fifth District. This information is subject to change and additional requirements, restrictions and guidance may apply.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) is the primary source of federal grants program information, although actual funding depends upon annual congressional budget appropriations. The Catalog is available free full-text on the Internet at <http://www.cfda.gov/> and allows searching by keyword and by various indexes such as department, agency, program, subject, beneficiary, and applicant eligibility.

Federal grant funding opportunities are posted on the website **Grants.gov** <http://www.grants.gov>. The website enables grant seekers to electronically find and apply for competitive grants from all federal agencies. Again, for full program information, CFDA numbers are given. The site also allows users to receive e-mail notification of future grant opportunities, to apply for federal grants online through a unified process, and to track their grant application after submission.

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U.S Department of Education
Office of Postsecondary Education

The Department of Education will provide funding for a wide variety of activities to encourage at-risk middle and high school age students to complete high school and enter a college or university.

Application Deadline: **December 28, 2010**

Eligibility:

Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations, institutions of higher education, and local education agencies.

For More Information:

<http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2010/2010-27732.htm>

U.S Department of Agriculture
Community Food Projects Competitive Grants Program

The Department of Agriculture will provide grants to plan or implement Community Food Projects that improve health and nutrition among disadvantaged or low-income populations and communities. The primary goals of the Community Food Projects Competitive Grants Program are to:

- Meet the food needs of low-income individuals;
- Increase the self-reliance of communities in providing for the food needs of the communities;
- Promote comprehensive responses to local food, farm, and nutrition issues; and
- Meet specific state, local, or neighborhood food and agricultural needs including needs relating to: infrastructure improvement and development; planning for long-term solutions; or the creation of innovative marketing activities that mutually benefit agricultural producers and low-income consumers.

Application Deadline: **November 17, 2010**

Eligibility:

Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations

For More Information:

http://www.nifa.usda.gov/funding/rfas/pdfs/11_community_foods.pdf

U.S Department of Agriculture
Secondary Education, Two-Year Postsecondary Education, and Agriculture in the K-12 Classroom Challenge Grants Program

The Department of Agriculture manages this grant program with the goal of to promoting and strengthening agriscience and agribusiness education in grades kindergarten to 14.

Application Deadline: **January 18, 2011**

Eligibility:

Local education agencies and institutes of higher education.

For More Information:

www.csrees.usda.gov/funding/rfas/pdfs/2011_secondary_education.pdf

United States Department of Health and Human Services
New Access Points Program

The New Access Points (NAP) Program will provide grants to support the establishment of new service delivery sites for medically underserved populations to receive comprehensive primary and preventive health care services.

Application deadline: **November 17, 2010**

Kinds of Organizations Eligible:

Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations and public agencies

For more info:

<https://grants.hrsa.gov/webexternal/FundingOppDetails.asp?FundingCycleId=450970E7-563E-4D2D-A021-5C775F7F614E&ViewMode=EU&GoBack=&PrintMode=&OnlineAvailabilityFlag=True&pageNumber=1>

United States Department of Health and Human Services
Health Resources and Services Administration
Affordable Care Act Grants for School-Based Health Centers Capital Program

This program will fund grants for capital improvements of school-based health center facilities to provide more effective, efficient, and quality health care, as well as improve access to health services for children.

Application deadline: **December 1, 2010**

Kinds of Organizations Eligible:

School-based health centers and their nonprofit sponsors.

For more info:

<https://grants.hrsa.gov/webExternal/FundingOppDetails.asp?FundingCycleId=3C2ADC01-A450-42EA-B6A5-B20376D479F4&ViewMode=EU&GoBack=&PrintMode=&OnlineAvailabilityFlag=&pageNumber=&version=&NC=&Popup>

United States Department of Health and Human Services
Health Resources and Services Administration
Affordable Care Act Family Professional Partnership/Family-To-Family Health Information and Education Centers

This program will provide grants to help families with special needs children learn about health care choices, especially those relating to health insurance.

Application deadline: **December 15, 2010**

Kinds of Organizations Eligible:

Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations and public agencies.

For more info:

<https://grants.hrsa.gov/webExternal/FundingOppDetails.asp?FundingCycleId=673E9C9F-4D59-4527-87F1-099F17953414&ViewMode=EU&GoBack=&PrintMode=&OnlineAvailabilityFlag=&pageNumber=&version=&NC=&Ppopup>

United States Environmental Protection Agency
2010 Environmental Research Grant Announcements

2010 Science to Achieve Results (STAR) Research Grants EPA Grants

- Understanding Day Care Environments of Children - Opens June 2010 - Postponed until 2011
- Dynamic Air Quality Management - Opens October 2010
- Coarse Particulate Matter - Opens November 2010
- Tribal Environmental Health Science - Opens March 2010 Postponed until 2011

For more info:

<http://www.epa.gov/ncer/rfa/#CurrentStar>

United States Department of Homeland Security
Grants

Grant guidance for the following programs has been released.

For more info:

<http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm>

United States Department of Justice
State Justice Institute Department of Justice Project Grants

The State Justice Institute will fund grants to support innovative education and training, research and evaluation, demonstration, and technical assistance projects that can improve the administration of justice in state courts locally or nationwide.

Application Deadline: **February 1, 2011**

Eligibility:

Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations and state and local courts.

For more info:

<http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2010/2010-24271.htm>

National Endowment for the Arts
2011-12 Big Read Program

The Big Read, a program of the National Endowment for the Arts in cooperation with Arts Midwest, is designed to revitalize the role of literature in American culture and to encourage citizens to read for pleasure and enlightenment. The Big Read provides participating U.S. communities with grants and comprehensive resources that support their efforts to read and discuss a single book or the work of a poet. The program will select 75 organizations in communities of varying sizes across the United States to conduct month-long, community-wide reads from September 2011 through June 2012. Organizations must match grant funds at least 1:1 with nonfederal funds, and may use the funding for such expenses as book purchases, speaker fees and travel, salaries, advertising, and venue rental. Applicant organizations that are not libraries must partner with one. Elementary and secondary schools and school districts, whether public or private, may not be lead applicants but are strongly encouraged to partner with libraries, literary centers, museums, and other eligible applicants.

Application Deadline: **February 1, 2011**

For more info:

www.neabigread.org/application_process.php

National Endowment for the Humanities
Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants for Innovative Projects

The National Endowment for the Humanities is inviting applications to the Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants program, which is designed to encourage innovations in the digital humanities. By awarding relatively small grants to projects in the planning stages, NEH aims to encourage the development of innovations that promise to benefit the humanities. Proposals should be for the planning or initial stages of digital initiatives in any area of the humanities. Projects may involve research, new approaches, or best practices in the study of the digital humanities; planning and developing prototypes of new digital tools for preserving, analyzing, and making accessible digital resources, including libraries' and museums' digital assets; scholarship or studies that examine the philosophical or practical implications and impact of the use of emerging technologies in specific fields or disciplines of the humanities, or in interdisciplinary collaborations involving several fields or disciplines; innovative uses of technology for public programming and education using both traditional and new media; and new digital modes of publication that facilitate the dissemination of humanities scholarship in advanced academic as well as informal or formal educational settings at all levels. Applicants must propose an innovative approach, method, tool, or idea that has not been used before in the humanities.

Application Deadline: **February 23, 2011**

For more info:

www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/digitalhumanitiesstartup.html

Institute of Museum and Library Sciences
National Leadership Grants Program
Sparks! Ignition Grants for Libraries and Museums

The mission of the Institute of Museum and Library Services is to create strong libraries and museums that connect people to information and ideas. The Institute works at the national level and in coordination with state and local organizations to sustain heritage, culture, and knowledge; enhance learning and innovation; and support professional development. The IMLS Sparks! Ignition Grants for Libraries and Museums are a new IMLS funding opportunity within the

National Leadership Grants program. These grants encourage libraries, archives, and museums to challenge existing assumptions about how they operate and the services they provide. These small grants support the deployment, testing, and evaluation of promising and groundbreaking new tools, products, services, or organizational practices. Successful proposals will address problems, challenges, or needs of broad relevance to libraries, archives, or museums, will test innovative responses to these problems, and will make the findings of these tests widely and openly accessible. To maximize the benefit of federal investments, the Sparks! Ignition Grants for Libraries and Museums will fund projects that have the potential for broad impact or significant innovation.

Application Deadline: **November 15, 2010**

For more info:

www.ims.gov/applicants/grants/SparksIgnition.shtm

Institute of Museum and Library Sciences
Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program

This program supports projects to develop faculty and library leaders, to recruit and educate the next generation of librarians, to conduct research on the library profession, and to support early career research on any area of library and information science by tenure-track, untenured faculty in graduate schools of library and information science. It also supports projects to encourage careers in librarianship, to build institutional capacity in graduate schools of library and information science, and to assist in the professional development of librarians and library staff. All members of the library community are invited to play an active role in ensuring that the profession is prepared to meet the challenges of the 21st century by recruiting a new generation of faculty and librarians, preparing library leaders, and strengthening graduate schools of library and information science.

Application Deadline: **December 15, 2010**

For more info:

<http://www.ims.gov/applicants/grants/21centuryLibrarian.shtm>

Small Business Administration
Looking for funding and other financial resources?

Federal, state and local governments offer a wide range of financing programs to help small businesses start and grow their operations. These programs include low-interest loans, venture capital, and scientific and economic development grants.

For more info:

Business.gov, the official business link to the U.S. Government has a great resource page:

<http://www.business.gov/financing/index.html>

Small Business Administration
Releases Final Women-Owned Small Business Rule to Expand Access to Federal Contracting Opportunities

With the publication of a final rule in the Federal Register, the U.S. Small Business Administration will begin implementation of its women-owned small business (WOSB) contracting program. The agency expects the program to be available for WOSBs in early 2011.

The rule is part of the Obama Administration's overall commitment to expanding opportunities for small businesses to compete for federal contracts, in particular those owned by women, socially and economically disadvantaged persons and veterans. This rule identifies 83 industries in which WOSBs are under-represented or substantially under-represented in the federal contract marketplace. In addition to opening up more opportunities for WOSBs, the rule is also another tool to help achieve the statutory goal that 5 percent of federal contracting dollars go to women-owned small businesses.

"Women-owned businesses are one of the fastest growing sectors of our nation's economy, and even during the economic downturn of the last few years, have been one of the key job creation engines in communities across the country," SBA Administrator Karen Mills said.

- To be eligible, a firm must be 51 percent owned and controlled by one or more women, and primarily managed by one or more women. The women must be U.S. citizens. The firm must be “small” in its primary industry in accordance with SBA’s size standards for that industry. In order for a WOSB to be deemed “economically disadvantaged,” its owners must demonstrate economic disadvantage in accordance with the requirements set forth in the final rule.

For more info:

http://www.sba.gov/aboutsba/sbaprograms/gc/gc_women_procurement.html

Small Business Administration
Economic Injury Loans

SBA’s disaster loan program is the only form of SBA assistance not limited to small businesses. Disaster loans from SBA help homeowners, renters, businesses of all sizes and nonprofit organizations fund rebuilding. SBA’s disaster loans are a critical source of economic stimulation in disaster ravaged communities, helping to spur employment and stabilize tax bases.

What Types of Disaster Loans are Available?

- Home Disaster Loans – Loans to homeowners or renters to repair or replace disaster damaged real estate or personal property owned by the victim. Renters are eligible for their personal property losses, including automobiles.
- Business Physical Disaster Loans – Loans to businesses to repair or replace disaster-damaged property owned by the business, including real estate, inventories, supplies, machinery and equipment. Businesses of any size and most private, non-profit organizations are eligible. Non-profit organizations such as charities, churches, private universities, etc., are also eligible.
- Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDLs) – are working capital loans to help small businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, and most private, non-profit organizations of all sizes meet their ordinary and necessary financial obligations that cannot be met as a direct result of the disaster. These loans are intended to assist through the disaster recovery period.

Individuals and businesses may obtain information and loan applications by calling the SBA’s Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955 (800-877-8339 for people with speech or hearing disabilities) Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. EDT, or by sending an email to disastercustomerservice@sba.gov.

Deadline: **December 29, 2010**

For more info:

<https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/>

Small Business Administration
Small Business Innovation Research / Small Business Technology Transfer

PHS 2008-02 Omnibus Solicitation of the NIH, CDC, and FDA for Small Business Innovation Research Grant Applications
 PHS 2008-02 Omnibus Solicitation of the NIH for Small Business Technology Transfer Grant Applications

Receipt Date(s): **December 5**

For more info:

http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/sbirsttr1/2008-2_SBIR-STTR-topics.pdf

Small Business Administration
Guarantees on Pools of Portions of Eligible 504 First Mortgage Loans

The U.S. Small Business Administration today announced the first nine loan pool originators authorized by the agency to assemble and sell pools of 504 program first mortgage loans, a major step to jump-starting a secondary market that should make fixed asset financing more widely available for small businesses.

Prior to the recent disruption in the credit market, a private secondary market for these loans existed, but has not revived as the economy has started to rebound. SBA expects this new program to breathe new life into that secondary market and improve access to credit for small businesses by providing a resource that can help boost liquidity to small business lenders. Under the program, the SBA will provide a government guarantee on pools of portions of eligible 504 first mortgage loans assembled by approved pool originators to be sold to third-party investors. Lenders will retain at least 15 percent of each individual loan, pool originators will assume 5 percent of the risk, and the SBA will guarantee the remaining 80 percent.

Typically, a 504 project includes three elements: a loan (or first mortgage) secured with a senior lien from a private-sector lender covering up to 50 percent of the project cost, a second mortgage secured with a junior lien from a Certified Development Company (backed by a 100 percent SBA-guaranteed debenture) covering up to 40 percent of the cost, and a contribution of at least 10 percent equity from the small business borrower.

Under the new program, portions of the senior liens are pooled by pool originators and sold to investors in the secondary market. To be eligible to be included in a pool, the first mortgage must be associated with a 504 loan disbursed on or after February 17, 2009. The program **will be in place until February 16, 2011, OR until \$3 billion in new pools** are created, whichever occurs first.

For more info:

<http://www.sba.gov/aboutsba/sbaprograms/elending/secondarymarket/index.html>

Corporation for National and Community Service
AmeriCorps State and National Grants FY 2011

The mission of the Corporation for National and Community Service (the Corporation) is to improve lives, strengthen communities, and foster civic engagement through service and volunteering. For more than fifteen years, the Corporation—through its Senior Corps, AmeriCorps, and Learn and Serve America programs—has helped to mobilize a new generation of engaged citizens. This year, more than 1.8 million individuals of all ages and backgrounds will serve with national and community non-profit organizations, faith-based groups, schools, and local agencies to meet needs in education, health, the environment, economic opportunity, veterans, disaster services, and other critical areas.

Application deadline: **January 25, 2011**

For More Information:

http://www.americorps.gov/pdf/10_0831_ac_nofo.pdf

Department of Housing and Urban Development
HOPE VI Revitalization Grants

The Department of Housing and Urban Development will fund grants to improve the living environment of public housing residents by substantially redeveloping and improving existing public housing developments.

Application deadline: **November 22, 2010**

Eligibility:

Public housing authorities

For More Information:

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/synopsis.do;jsessionid=MGQtM2GGvXbLvpFTpXMP61LN4xTyvnM01nCpLxt5hVKFZZs9Sqyn!1305050814>

Department of Housing and Urban Development
Office of Community Planning and Development
Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Program Grant

Program

The purpose of the Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Grant Programs is to reduce the incidence of homelessness in communities by assisting homeless individuals and families to move to self-sufficiency and permanent housing. In its funding announcement, the Department of Housing and Urban Development notified applicants that it will award renewal grants rapidly to prevent interruption in federal assistance to existing local programs, while awarding funds to new projects later in the year.

Application deadline: **November 18, 2010**

Eligibility:

States, units of local government, special purpose units of government such as public housing authorities, private nonprofit organizations, and community mental health centers that are public nonprofit organizations.

For More Information:

<http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/documents/CoC%202010%20NOFA.pdf>

Department of Housing and Urban Development **Healthy Homes Production Program Grant**

The Healthy Homes Production Program provides grants to address multiple childhood diseases and injuries in the home by focusing on housing-related hazards in a coordinated fashion, rather than addressing a single hazard at a time.

Application deadline: **November 18, 2010**

Eligibility:

Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations, local government agencies, and businesses.

For More Information:

http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/program_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail

Department of Housing and Urban Development **Asthma Interventions in Public and Assisted Multifamily Housing**

The purpose of the Asthma Interventions in Public and Assisted Multifamily Housing program is to demonstrate and evaluate cost effective interventions to improve asthma control among children and other residents of federally assisted multifamily housing.

Application deadline: **November 16, 2010**

Eligibility:

Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations, local government agencies, and businesses.

For More Information:

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppld=58137>

Department of Housing and Urban Development **Capital Fund Education and Training Community Facilities Program**

The Capital Fund Education and Training Community Facilities (CFCF) Program provides grants to develop facilities to provide early childhood education, adult education, and job training programs for public housing residents based on an identified need for such facilities.

Application deadline: **January 14, 2011**

Eligibility:

Public housing authorities.

For More Information:

<http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2010/2010-26199.htm>

Department of Housing and Urban Development
Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency: Service Coordinators Program

This program will issue grants to provide funding to hire and maintain Service Coordinators who will assess the needs of residents of conventional Public Housing or Indian housing and coordinate available resources in the community to meet those needs.

Application deadline: **February 21, 2011**

Eligibility:

Public housing authorities and not-for-profit organizations.

For More Information:

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=FXC7MGbXf2Lk8vJfWdGZmJLCDBSZd2b9s9gTLjNyJ5Z1F8TMfM9C!-1503777161?opld=58528&mode=VIEW>